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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: KIEV - CONSULATE GENERAL NEGOTIATIONS

REF: (A) MOSCOW 17478, (B) STATE 283265, (C) MOSCOW 17154

1. WITH THE LATEST REFUSAL BY THE SOVIETS TO BUILD A NON-METALLIC ROOF ON THE KIEV CONSULATE GENERAL (REFTEL A), THE EMBASSY BELIEVES WE MUST NOW REASSESS OUR POSITION.
2. IN OUR OPINION THE SOVIETS WILL NOT AGREE TO A NON-METALLIC ROOF AND THEY HAVE TOLD US JUST THAT IN WASHINGTON (REFTEL B), MOSCOW (REFTEL C) AND NOW IN KIEV. ALTHOUGH WE CAN CONTINUE TO HOLD OUT FOR A NON-METALLIC ROOF, THE PRICE WILL BE SOVIET REFUSAL TO BEGIN RECONSTRUCTION ON THE STRELELSKAYA STREET BUILDING. EVEN IF THE RECONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WERE TO BE SIGNED THIS MONTH AND IF THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES MEET THEIR IMPROVED BUILDING SCHEDULE (24 MONTHS INSTEAD OF 28), THE CONSULATE GENERAL WILL NOT BE READY TO BE HANDED OVER TO US UNTIL EARLY 1980. ADDITIONAL DELAYS NOW WILL CORRESPONDINGLY POSTPONE THE 1980 DATE.
3. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES BOTH THE EMBASSY AND KAP STRONGLY  
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RECOMMEND THAT WE DROP OUR REQUIREMENT FOR A NON-METALLIC ROOF AND ACCEPT THE 24 MONTH SCHEDULE PROPOSED IN REFTEL A. IF THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES THIS POSITION, THEN THE WAY SHOULD BE CLEARED FOR SIGNING THE RECONSTRUCTION CONTRACT THIS MONTH.  
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